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In a telephone conference today between Examiner Paul Roberts and applicants' attorney, Melissa Szanto, Examiner Roberts requested resubmission of the Information Disclosure Statements filed in this case on June 20, 2003 and August 14,

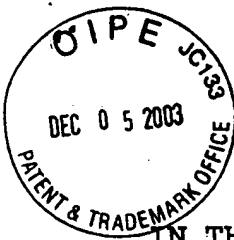
2003, including all references cited therein. In response to this request, enclosed please find both IDSs and copies of all cited references.

Respectfully submitted,



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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98, information relating to the above-identified application is hereby disclosed. Inclusion of information in this statement is not to be construed as an admission that this information is material as that term is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

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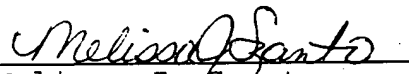
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